

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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PENDING POLLUTION CASES

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pollution related cases pending before the Government at present alongwith the date of pendency of these cases and the reasons therefor; and

(b) the action taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) & (b): As per the information available (as on 31.12.2007) from Central Pollution Control Board/ State Pollution Control Boards/ Pollution Control Committees in Union Territories, out of 8513 cases filed under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act,1981,3548 cases were pending in the different Courts on account of various reasons.The State Governments of U.P. Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat and NCT Delhi have set up designated Courts to deal with the Environment related cases. As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Green Benches have been constituted in the High Courts of West Bengal and Tamil Nadu.